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A Message From the Your President!

It is that time again. Time for the call for the nomination of officers for the next I. N. A. board. The official announcement is included at another location in this bulletin. Please help us by sending in your choice for the different positions. These people will be notified that they have been nominated and given the choice to accept or refuse to run for the position. You should also consider having your local club become involved with nominations.

Time goes by so fast. Soon the T. N. A. show will be upon us. It is being held at Souix City this year as most of you already know. I hope a good many of our members can put in an appearance at least one of the days.

Many of you are probably wondering about the I. N. A. Commemorative afghan that I mentioned in my last letter to you. It is being worked on and I promise to have it done by the show. It will be raffled off at the show with all proceeds going to the club.

Mentioning the afghan reminds me to let you know. Ward Kain, who won last years afghan has graciously offered to donate it back to the I. N. A. to raffle off at next year's show. Clubs, members, we would like some input from you for our bulletin. Support our club with your articles and thoughts.

See you in October.

Gail L. McKee
President I. N. A.

SHOW CALENDAR

Aug 9

First Ever Hiawatha Coin Show Hiawatha Community Center, 80 Center Point Roas, Hiawatha Iowa

Aug 5-9

American Numismatic Association 107 th Anniversary Show & Convention, Oregon Convention Center, 777 NE Martin Luther King Jr., Blvd, Portland, Oregon.

Aug 15-16

Annual Iowa Great Lakes Coin, Card & Paper Money Show, Spirit Lake Community Building, Hwy 9, Spirit Lake, IA, BOURSE: Don McCulleeh, (712)336-4618.

Sep 12

Marion Swamp Fox Festival Coin & Sportscard Show, Vernon Middle School, 1301 5 th Ave., Marion, IA

Sep 11-13

Central States Numismatic Society Annual Show & Convention, Harvey, Illinois, BOURSE: Clayton Hagemann.

OCT 24-25

Iowa Numismatic Association 60th Annual Show, Auction & Convention, Sioux City Convention Center, 801 4th Street, Sioux City IA, *BOURSE: John Jackson (712) 274-9195 or (800) 397-9053*

Reminder: If your Coin Club is preparing to schedule a Coin Show, please contact the I.N.A. Show Coordinator prior to scheduling the event. This will avoid scheduling conflicts and provides the information for inclusion in this Show Calendar. The current Show Coordinator is Roger Wolver, 309 North 11th Street, Oskaloosa, IA 52577, (515) 673-6677 or (515) 673-6633

FROM THE SECRETARY'S DESK:

Summers here, and I hope you are finding time to attend your Coin Club's meetings. Many vacations take members away during the summer months. It is always important that we support our local clubs. How about visiting clubs where you vacation. Harry & I like to visit Iowa clubs, but we haven't been able to do that these last 2 years due to the illness of both our mothers. Because of this and still being in the coin shop three days a week, I'm not able to do the job as Secretary - Treasurer as it should be done. Therefore I am not a candidate for this position. I thank you for the support you have given me these last 6 years.

Do you have ideas for Iowa's commemorate quarter. We have asked to be allowed to add our ideas on the design.

This year is our 60th Anniversary as a State Organization (the oldest in the nation). We have antique .999 silver in the 1 oz. medals at \$15.00 plus .50 for postage and handling. The Antiqued bronze are \$3.00 plus .50 for postage and handling. You can order these from me or check with your local coin dealer to see if they have them.

KEEP COLLECTING!

JoAnn Peters, INA
Secretary-Treasurer

When and Where Iowa's Coin Clubs Meet:

Ames - Last Wednesday, Senior Citizens Center, 7:30 p.m.

Burlington - Last Tuesday, Midwest Federal Savings, Roosevelt & Division Streets, 7:00 p.m.

***Cedar Falls** - Next to the Last Thursday, Cedar Falls Rec. Center, 7:00 p.m.

Cedar Rapids - Third Wednesday (except July), KUBA Community Center, 1300 13th Ave SE, 7:30 p.m.

Clarion - Forth Wednesday, I.P.S. Pizza Ranch on Main St., 7.30 p.m.

Decorah -First Tuesday, V.F.W. Building basement, 104 State St., 7:30 p.m.

Dubuque - First Thursday, The American Trust Bank, 280 Kennedy road, 7:00 p.m

Des Moines - First Tuesday, Baker's Cafeteria, Sherwood Forest, 74th & Hickman Rd., 6:30 p.m.

Fairfield - Third Tuesday, Hardies, 7:30 p.m.

Fort Dodge - Second Thursday, ICCV Voc. Tech Bldg. 7:30 p.m.

Fort Madison - Third Tuesday, Midwest Savings & Loan Drive-in, 4520 ave L, 7:30 p.m.

Grinnell - Second Monday, Senior Citizens Room, Community Center, 7:30 p.m. (515) 236-3549.

ILLowa (Clinton) - Third Thursday, Gateway State Bank, Clinton, 7:30 p.m.

Independence - Third Saturday, Courthouse Basement, 7:30 p.m.

Iris City (Mt. Pleasant) - First Thursday, Breadoux Pizza, 7.30 p m

Keokuk - Fourth Thursday (Third Thursday in Nov. & Dec.), Keokuk Sr. High School Library (Summers at SCC's S. Campus Student Lounge), 7:30 p.m.

Old Capital (Iowa City) - Second Tuesday, West High School, Room 13, 7:30 p.m.

Oskaloosa - Second Tuesday, Basement of Farm Bureau Building, 7:30 p. m. (515) 949-6430

Ottumwa - Fourth Tuesday, Colormaster, Inc., 800 Gateway Dr., 7:30 p.m. (515) 684-6006

Port City (Muscatine) - Fourth Tuesday, Holiday Inn, Muscatine, Hwy. 61 & 38, 7:30 p.m.

Quad City (Moline, IL) - Third Thursday, Garden Center, 5th Ave at 34th St., 7:30 p.m.

Red Oak - First Monday, Public Library, 6:30 p.m.

Siouxland (Sioux City) - First Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., J&J Coins Collectibles, 901 S. Cecilia.,

Storm Lake - Third Thursday, IPS Meeting Room, Winters at 7:30 p.m.; Summers at 8:00 p.m.

Wadena - Third Thursday, Historical Center, West Union, IA 7:30 p.m.

***Waterloo** - Second Thursday, Waterloo Arts & Recreation Center, First and Commercial Streets, 7:00 p.m.

* Waterloo and Cedar Falls Coin Clubs will be merging in January, to be known as the Waterloo/Cedar Falls Coin Club. Meetings will be the second Tuesday of every month at the Waterloo Recreation Center, Waterloo, Iowa at 7:00 p.m. starting with January 13th

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Michael S. 'Stan' Turrini

Appeal for Assistance/Direction In FINAL Research

DATE: Sunday, February 22, 1998, 'Traditional Washington's Birthday'

Hello! Greetings and Peace! As most all of you already know, over the past several years, myself has researched and written numerous short articles about the 1946 Iowa Statehood Centennial Commemorative Half Dollar, most recently and currently for the quarterly COMMEMORATIVE TRAIL of the Society for United States Commemorative Coins (SUSCC). This protracted series, at last, is drawing to a end, and in the result, the 1946 Iowa Statehood Centennial nation! My own compiled files, those in Iowa and elsewhere, and my published articles, to date, confirm this fact!

Yet, there remains one unsolved, unresolved, matter, the one that has prompted this Open Memo to you all. It is the matter of the first fifty (50) Iowa Half Dollars, namely, who, when, and where?

In summary, the first fifty Iowa Half Dollars were separately minted and shipped to John M. Grimmes (1873-1971), then Iowa's State Treasurer, and the only correspondence, to my knowledge, concerning these fifty Iowa Half Dollars' distribution is a letter, with no known reply, to then Governor Robert D. Blue (1898-1989) from Edith Wasson McElroy (1887-1975), the Executive Secretary for the then Iowa Centennial Committee (1946/1947). Her letter implies that some of the these first fifty Iowa Half Dollars were distributed to Iowa Centennial Committee members in late 1948 or early 1949. Also, Governor Blue did order some Iowa Half Dollars for the State's Archives. So Far, This Is It!

For one of my final concluding articles, this author would like, at last, to roster their distribution, particularly as to who, when, and maybe where. The State does, to this date, retain some of these first fifty Iowa Half Dollars and these retained Halves are NOT to be confused with the five hundred (500) each reserved , and now being sold, for the just past Sesquicentennial of Iowa, 1846-1996, or later its Bicentennial, 1846-2046.

Thus, do any of you have any suggestions? Any ideas? Any thoughts? Any input? Could something still be on record in State Treasurer's files? In Governor Blue's archives? Most of these sources have been checked and examined.

This final intention might be beyond my capability and might defy any accurate answer; however, it is worth a try. In closing, to those in Iowa, and to my fellow coin hobbyists, and to you all, it has been always my objective-obsession to be absolutely accurate and concretely complete!

Ending, my hope is that all of you understand, if not accept, that objective, because this author is convinced, after ten years, that those in this Half Dollar's saga, long deceased, candidly wanted someone-anyone with the energy and enthusiasm—to do just that: write the total and tine story of the Iowa Half Dollar, and that author was I.

Gob Bless and Good Luck Always!

Replies may be directed to me at: "Michael S. Turrini, 205 Alvarado Avenue, Vallejo, California, 94590-3337"; '707-453-6277' (Work) or '70 7-643-5618' (Unlisted Home) .

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OFFICIAL CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

In accordance with the by-laws of the Iowa Numismatic Association, I hereby make the official call for nominations for the officers of the I. N. A. for the years of 1999-2000. Any member in good standing may nominate a candidate for the Offices of President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-president, Secretary-Treasurer, and Directors. You may nominate people from your own District to serve as District Directors but no more than two Directors from any one district. In addition, candidates for Director-at-large may be nominated. Nominations must be mailed to the Second Vice-President, Tom Robertson Iowa City, Iowa no later than July 1, 1998. Ballots will then be mailed to each 1998 member of the I. N. A., so their vote may be mailed in to the Secretary.

Remember, under this format, each member has a voice in the elections, and need not be present at the I. N. A. Convention to be heard. In accordance with the by-laws, the chairs (President and Vice President) must be filled by persons who have served as Directors or Officers of the I. N. A. It is your privilege to exercise your rights as a member, to nominate and to vote.

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Gail L. McKee
President I. N. A.

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The Iowa Collector, the official bulletin, is published three times each year and sent to each member. The I.N.A., upon request, will help the heirs of any member of good standing find a qualified person or persons, in his or her area, to appraise a estate.

For further information about the I.N.A. contact any member, director or officer. A application has been enclosed with this issue of The Iowa Collector. To join fill it in and send it along with your check to:

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE IOWA NUMISMATIC TIC ASSOCIATION

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Send this application together with \$5.00 for the current year's dues. Young applicants' dues are \$2.00 per year until age eighteen.

NOTE: The I.N.A. year runs from January 1st to January 1st.

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The deadline will be May 15 th, 1998
You must request an Application from the Scholarship committee.

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